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**RESPONSE /AMENDMENT**

Madam:

The following Amendment and Remarks are submitted in response to the Office Action mailed 9/12/2003, following the amendment format as set forth in the Revised 37 CFR §1.121. After this introductory section, there are Amendments to the Claims and then Remarks, each starting on a separate page.

Amendments to the Claims consist of amendments for claims 2 and 8, which are incorporated in a complete listing of the claims.